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Choice Roses, Etc., Given Away.

Special Offer for June—During June, and until July 10th, I offer the following Special Premiums:

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Window Plants.

Abutilon, in variety
Anna
Golden Ball
Mesopotamicum
Striata Splendida
Thompsoni Plena
Crimson
Souv. de Bonn
Acalypha triumphans
Macassana
Achania malvaviscus
Achyranthus, in variety
Formosum, yellowish
green
Gibsoni, pinkish green
Emersoni, pink and
bronze variegated
Linden, bronzy red
Agathaea, Blue Paris Daisy
Ageratum, Victoria Louise
Dwarf, dark blue
Dwarf, white
Swanley, blue, azure
Little Dorrit, yellow
Alstroemeria aurantiaca
Alternanthera, red
Golden
Jewel
Brilliantissima
Alonsoa miniatia compacta



Anomom Cardamomum

Note.—This is a handsome, deliciously scented foliage pot plant of easy culture.

Anomotheca cruenta

Athericum variegatum

Liliastrum major

Note.—This is a handsome foliage pot plant; the leaves are long and distinctly striped with pure white.

Antigonon leptopus

Antirrhinum, Snapdragon

Dainty Queen, pink

Fire King, rich scarlet

Striatum, distly striped

Yellow striped red

Yellow and orange

Rosea, fine rose

Antirrhinum, Snapdragon
Coral red, new and fine
Romeo, new deep rose
Queen Victoria, white
Orchidiflora, splendid
Apararagus Sprengeri
Plumosus nanus fine pl'ts
Decumbens, new, lovely
Common garden
Basil, Green Bush
Small-leaved dwarf
Begonia, flowering
Foliosa
Fuchsoides
Nitida Alba
Alba Picta
Honeywell
Luminosa
Decorus
Metallica
Nitida Rosea
Begonia Rex
Bougainvillea glabra
Browallia speciosa, blue
Elatia alba
Elatia grandiflora
Boston Smilax, lovely vine
Myrtifolia, new, fine
Brugmansia Suaveolens
Bryophyllum Calycinum
Calceolaria scabiosafolia
Calla, spotted-leaf
Compacta alba
Little Gem
Carex Japonica, Jap'n grass
Carica Papaya
Cestrum laurifolium, Jas.
mine

Chrysanthemums, show varieties

W. H. Lincoln, yellow
Dr. Enguehard, pink
Golden Glow, fine yellow
J. K. Shaw, pink
Garza, white, fine single
Yellow Chadwick
Silver Wedding, white
Robt. Halliday, yellow
Maj. Bonnafon, yellow
Mrs. H. Weeks, fine white
Pink Ivory, pink
Smith's Advance, white
Pacific Supreme, pink
C. Touset, incurved white
Col. D. Appleton, in curved yellow
Black Hawk, fine crimson
Golden Eagle, incurved yellow
Mme. Jeanne Nonin, snow white

Chrysanthemum
Glory of Pacific, magnificient pink
Polly Rose, early white
Chrysanthemum frutescens, yellow and white
Cineraria stellata
Cobaea scandens, vine



Coleus, Fancy, mixed
Beckwith Gem, brown and pink, margined
Chicago Bedder, green with gold veins
Fire brand, brown with pink
Golden Bedder, golden yellow
Her Majesty, red, with gold border
Mrs. Hayes, pink, mottled margin
Carmine Glow, gold and pink
Sensation, fringed
Verschaffelti, a fine bedder
Trailing Gem, a new trailing sort; fine for baskets; color pink, green and chocolate

Note.—I wish to call special attention to the Trailing Gem Coleus. It is a lovely foliage plant, dwarf and trailing in habit, and first-class for growing in pots or baskets. It is new and rare, and will be found a very valuable addition to the list of choice easily-grown foliage plants.

Commelinia Sellowiana

Crape Myrtle, pink

Crassula cordata, succulent

Cuphea platycentra, sugar flower, red and black

Miniatia, white, rose and red

Cyclamen, in variety

James Prize

Emperor William, red

Mt. Blanc, white

Atrorubrum, deep red

Roseum superbum

Giganteum, mixed



ABSOLUTELY FREE!
A root of the Rare and Beautiful Purple Florentine Iris will be added to every order received between June 1st and July 10th. This is an absolutely free gift.

Cypella Herbertii
Cyperus alternifolius,
Water Palm

Note.—I can supply good plants of this lovely water plant. Grown in a large pot it attains great size, and is Palm-like in appearance; a fine window plant; does well in shade.

Dahlia, Imperialis
Collarette
Coronata
Daisy Marguerite, white, yellow

Mrs. Sanders, white
Dolichos lumnosus, vine
Dracæna indivisa
Eranthemum pulchellum, blue

Erythrina Crista Galli
Eucalyptus Resinifera
Eucomis punctata, a bulb
Eupatorium serulatum
Riparium, white

Euphorbia heterophylla
red
Splendens

Note.—This is the Crown of Thorns. The plants are thorny, and bear lovely waxy carmine clusters in winter. Sure to bloom.

Ferns, Amerpohlii, lace-like
Pierson Plume

Whitmanii, plumey
Scholzeli, dwarf
Woodwardia
Boston
Scotti

Tarrytown
Compacta

Note.—My Ferns are healthy, and entirely free from fern scale and other enemies.

Ferraria Canariensis
Grandiflora alba
Pavonia speciosa

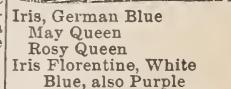
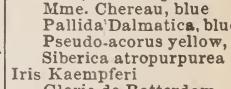
Ficus repens
Fuchsia, Black Prince
Speciosa

Silver King
Monarch Single
Chas. Blanc

Little Prince
Avalanche
Gloire des Marches

Geraniums, Zonale,
Single, white, rose, pink,
scarlet, crimson

Double, white, rose, pink,
scarlet, crimson
Ivy-leaved, Rose, Scarlet,
Crimson
Scented-leaved in variety

Geranium, Fancy Leaved	Primula, Chinensis	Asclepias tuberosa	Gerbera Hybrida
Mrs. Parker	Striata	Atrrosanguinea, red	Adnet's strain
Bronze Bedder	Coccinea	Curassavica	Goodyeara Pubescens
Guava, common	Lutea	Incarnata, pink	Hibiscus, Crimson Eye
Cattleyana	Mutabilis	Cornuta, pinkish, fringed	Helianthus tuberosus
Heliotrope, white, light blue, dark blue	Oconica grandiflora	Aster, hardy	Rigidus, Dr. Beal
Reine Marguerrite	Cerulea	Baptisia Australis	Note.— <i>Helianthus Rigidus</i> , Dr. Beal, is a splendid golden autumn flower, perfectly hardy, and deserving a place in every collection.
Note.—Heliotropes do well bedded out, blooming all summer, and perfuming the entire garden.	Blood red	Note.—This is a fine tenacious perennial with Pea-like foliage and long spikes of exquisite rich purple Pea-like bloom. A plant soon becomes a grand big clump. The flowers are succeeded by curious pods.	Hemerocallis, Lemon Lily
Heterocentron album	Rivina humilis	Bellis Daisy, Double Giant, white, rose, red	Thunbergii, later sort
Hibiscus, Peach Blow	Ruellia Formosa	Blackberry Lily	Dumortieri, orange
Versicolor	Makoyana	Note.—This is a fine, tenacious plant of the Iris family; flowers red, spotted, in clusters, succeeded by pretty Blackberry-like fruits. Generally known as Parthenocissus Chinensis,	Distichia, double, blotched
Double Red	Note.— <i>Ruellia Makoyana</i> is a lovely foliage plant and bears showy tubular carmine flowers in winter.	Bocconia cordata	Fulva
Double Pink	Russelia elegantissima	Bupleurum cordifolium	Note.— <i>Heremocallis Dumortieri</i> is the low-growing, free-blooming, early-flowering golden sort, elegant for a border. <i>H. Flava</i> is the fragrant Lemon Lily, blooming later, and <i>H. Thunbergii</i> is similar, but comes still later. All are tenacious and beautiful.
Dark Red	Salvia coccinea splendens	Calamus acorus variegatus	Heptacodium triloba
Hydrangea Hortensis	Bonfire, large, scarlet	Callirhoe involucrata	Heracleum Mantegazzianum
Impatiens, in variety	Sauvetera Zeylanica	Calystegia pubescens	Hoarhound, Herb
Ivy, Irish or Parlor	Note.— <i>Sauvetera Zeylanica</i> is a succulent foliage plant, upright and stately in growth, and appears well among other plants. It is of easy culture.	Cassia Marilandica	Hollyhock, Chater's Double
Note.—The Irish or Parlor Ivy will grow in dense shade, and is a good vine to fence a room, or to cover a wall that is always hidden from the sun. It is of rapid growth.	Santolina Tomentosa	Ceratium grandiflorum	Crimson, Golden, White, Pink
Jasmine Revolutum, yellow	Salpingiella Maritima, Moss	Carnation, Margaret, white, red, yellow, striped	Houstonia corylea
Gracillimum	Senecio petasites	Centaurea Montana	Hyacinthus canadensis
Grandiflorum, white	Solanum grandiflorum	Chelone barbata, scarlet	Hypericum Moserianum
Justicia sanguinea	Jerusalem Cherry	Chrysanthemum in variety	Inula helenium
Velutina	Melongena	Hardy Crimson	
Kenilworth Ivy	Stevia serrata variegata	Prince of Wales, white	Iris Germanica Blue
Note.—I offer fine plants of this Ivy. For baskets or vases in a window or place entirely excluded from direct sunlight it is unsurpassed. It drops charmingly over the edge, and blooms freely. It is also good for carpeting a bed of Gladiolus or other plants.	Strobilanthes Anisophylloides	Bohemia, yellow	May Queen
Lantana, Yellow Queen	Dyerianus, metallic red	Salem, rose-pink	Rosy Queen
Aurora, crimson	Surinam Cherry	Julia Lagravere, crimson	Iris Florentine, White
Gogal		Mrs. Porter, bronze	Blue, also Purple
Amiel	Ten Weeks Stock, white	Maximum, Triumph	Mme. Chereau, blue
Francine, yellow tipped lilac	Dark purple	Cineraria Maritima Diamond, silvery foliage	Pallida Dalmatica, blue
Yellow Queen, dwarf yellow	Light blue	Cinnamon vine	Pseudo-acorus yellow, Siberica atropurpurea
Jaune d'Or, yellow-red	Crimson	Clematis paniculata	Iris Kaempferi
Craigie, dwarf Orange	Torenia Fournieri	Montana	Gloria de Rotterdam
Javoil, pure white	Tradescantia, green and white	Virginiana	Queen of Blues, blue
Leo Dex, yellow and red	Multiflora, brown and pink	Note.—I ask special attention to these Clematis. All bear elegant white fragrant flowers. All are vigorous, hardy, free-blooming. <i>C. Montana</i> blooms in spring; the others in autumn.	
Delicatissima, Lilac Weeping	Verbenae hybrida, mammoth	Coreopsis Lanceolata	Iris Germanica
Harkett's Perfection	Veronica longifolia	Grandiflora Eldorado	May Queen
Seraphire, yellow and pink	Vinca rosea, red, white	Crucianella stylosa	Rosy Queen
Lemon Verbena	White, red eye	Delphinium in variety	Iris Florentine, White
Ponderosa	Wallflower, Parisian	Desmodium penduliflorum	Blue, also Purple
Libonia Penrhosiensis	Ne-plus-ultra	Dianthus Deltoides	Mme. Chereau, blue
Lopelia rossa	Water Hyacinth aquatic	Dianthus, Pink, Baby	Pallida Dalmatica, blue
Lophospermum scandens	Hardy Plants.	Barbatus Chinensis	Pseudo-acorus yellow, Siberica atropurpurea
Mackaya Bella	Anthriscus mollis	Note.—The Baby Pink is very free-blooming, and the little flowers are beautiful.	Iris Florentine
Mandevilla suaveolens	Achillea, Pearl	Dictamnus fraxinella	Gloria de Rotterdam
Manettia bicolor	Filipendula, yellow	Dictyandra eximia	Queen of Blues, blue
Maurandya, mixed	Egopodium podagraria	Digitalis, Foxglove	
Mesembryanthemum grandiflorum	Agrostemma coronaria	Epimedium grandiflorum	Iris Germanica
Mexican Primrose	Alismus Plantago	Erigeron aurantiaca	May Queen
Mimoso, Sensitive Plant	Anemone Japonica	Macranthus	Rosy Queen
Mimulus Moschatus comp.	Whirlwind, white	Erodium Manescavii	Iris Florentine, White
Muehlenbeckia repens	Queen Charlotte, pink	Eupatorium ageratoides	Blue, also Purple
Myrtus communis, Myrtle	Honorine Jober, white	Incarnatum, purple	Mme. Chereau, blue
Nasturtium, double scarlet	Rosea, also Alba	Serrulatum	Pallida Dalmatica, blue
Double yellow	Pennsylvanica	Eulalia Gracillima	Pseudo-acorus yellow, Siberica atropurpurea
Double red	Alyssum Saxatile	Fragaria Indica	Iris Florentine
Nicotiana Affinis, mixed	Anchusa Italica	Note.— <i>Fragaria Indica</i> is a fine Strawberry-like plant with yellow flowers and crimson fruit that retains its beauty for some time. It is good to carpet the ground in dense shade, and for hanging baskets.	Gloria de Rotterdam
Crimson	Anthemis Kelwayi	Funkia subcordata	Queen of Blues, blue
Ophiopogon variegatum	Nobilis	Undulata variegata	
Othonna crassifolia	Apis Tuberosa	Note.— <i>Funkia subcordata</i> is the beautiful White Day Lily. <i>F. undulata variegata</i> has elegant striped foliage, and is a superb edging plant.	Iris Germanica
Oxalis, Golden Star	Aquilegia, in variety	Grandiflora, yellow, eyed	May Queen
Lutes, yellow	Canadensis	Genista tinctoria	Red
Buttercup, yellow	Cerulea, blue	Germanica	Dissitiphora, blue
Floribunda, white	Single white	Gentiana Andrewsii	Monarda didyma
Floribunda, pink	Double white	Armeria maritima	Nepeta, Catnip
Rosa, rose	Single red	Cephalotes	Enothera Lamarckiana
Dieppi, red	Yellow, red center	Asarum Canadensis	Peony, Officinalis, red
Passiflora corulea	Pink, tinged yellow	Arabis alpina	Chinese, mixed
Edulis	Red, yellow center	Note.— <i>Arabis Alpina</i> is a lovely spring-blooming plant; flowers white, in great profusion.	Chinese, white, seedling
Palm, Phoenix tenis	Pink	Armeria maritima	
Petunia, Single Bedding	Mixed	Cephalotes	
Marginata Hybrida	Aralia racemosa	Asarum Canadensis	
Howard's Star	Arisema triphylla	Arabis alpina	
Rosy Morn	Aristolochia, tomentum	Artemesia grandiflora, red	
Baby Bine	Arabis alpina	Grandiflora, yellow, eyed	
Peristrophe angustifolia	Note.— <i>Arabis Alpina</i> is a	Genista tinctoria	
Variegata	lovely spring-blooming	Germanica	
Pilea Muscosa	plant; flowers white, in	Gentiana Andrewsii	
Pittosporum undulatum	great profusion.	Armeria maritima	
Tobira	Armeria maritima	Cephalotes	
Primula Kewensis	Cephalotes	Asarum Canadensis	
Floribunda	Genista tinctoria		
Chinensis Fimbriata	Germanica		
Alba	Gentiana Andrewsii		
Rubra	Gentiana Sanguineum		
	Maculatum		

Paeony, *Tenuifolia*, red
Note.—This is the Tansy-leaved Paeony, bearing bright red single flowers. It is the earliest of Paeonies. Parsley, border plant
Moss curled

Beauty of the Parterre Peas, Perennial, red, rose
Note.—Perennial Peas are entirely hardy, and bear beautiful clusters of bloom.

Pennyroyal, herb
Peppermint
Phalaris, ribbon-grass
Phlox, Boule de Feu, red
Von Lassburg

Henry Murger
Boule de Niegé, white
Faust Lilac
Note.—Few flowers are more attractive than flowering Perennial Phlox. They make a gorgeous bed or border.

Phlox maculata
Physalis Franchetti, Chinese Lantern
Edulis

Pinks, hardy, mixed

Platycodon, in variety

Note.—Platycodon is one of the finest of hardy perennials; flowers large, rich blue or white, showy; plants free- and long-blooming. Once started they will almost take care of themselves.

Plumbago, Lady Larpet
Podophyllum peltatum
Pokeberry, *Phytolacca*

Polygonum multiflorum

Cuspidatum

Polygonatum biflorum

Potentilla formosa

Primula officinalis, yellow

Veris, single, hardy

Acaulis

Verticillata

Prunella Webiana

Pyrethrum, Hardy Cosmos

Ranunculus Acris, fl. pl.

Rehmannia angulata

Rhubarb, Victoria

Rocket, Sweet

Rudbeckia, Golden Glow

Bicolor; semi plena

Purpurea, purple

Newmanii, yellow

Sullivantii, yellow

Note.—The Rudbeckia's are all very free-blooming and showy. R. purpurea has large purple flowers, and is sometimes called Red Sunflower; the others are golden-flowered.

Sage, Broad-leaved

Sagittaria variabilis

Sanguinaria Canadensis

Salvia Scarea

Santolina Indica

Saponaria Ocyoides

Officinalis

Saxifraga peltata

Scabiosa Japonica

Sedum, for banks

Aizoon

Acre, yellow

White

Shasta Daisy, Alaska

California

Westvalia

Silene orientalis

Orientalis compacta

Smilacina racemosa

Snowflake

Spearmint, herb

Spirea Gladstone, white

Palma elegans, liliac

Filipendula

Solidago Canadensis

Star of Bethlehem

Sweet William, in variety

Pink Beauty

White single

Sweet William
White double
Crimson single
Crimson double
Rose
Holborn Glory
Note.—Sweet Williams are grand bedding plants. The rich, fragrant flowers are borne in big clusters.

Symplocarpus foetidus
Tansy, improved, frilled
Thalictrum, Meadow Rue
Tradescantia Virginica
Tricyrtis Hirta, Toad Lily
Tunica saxifraga

Typha angustifolia
Valerian, fragrant, white
Scarlet and rose
Verbascum Olympicum
Blattaria
Pannosum
Phlomoides
Vernonia növeboracensis
Veronica spicata, blue
Longifolia
Vinca, blue Myrtle
Vinca variegata, trailing

Note.—Vinca variegata is a superb trailing plant for vases, distinctly variegated green and white. I offer fine plants.
Viola, Lady Campbell
Prince of Wales
Odorata, blue
Hardy white
Cucullata, blue
Pedata, early flowering
Violet, hardy blue, frag'nt
Vittadinea triloba

Wallflower, Parisian
Yucca filamentosa
Note.—Yucca filamentosa will grow and bloom in the driest, hottest soil, and is a fine sword-leaved evergreen. Many prefer it for cemetery planting because of its lovely drooping white flowers and tenacity.
Zizania aquatica

Shrubs and Trees.

Abelia rupestris
Ailanthus glandulosa
Akebia quinata, vine
Alnus serrulata
Althea, single

Note.—I can supply Althea for a hedge, fine plants, at \$2.50 per hundred.
Amorpha fruticosa
Ampelopsis Veitchii
Quinquefolia

Aralia pentaphylla
Artemisia, Old Man
Basket Willow
Benzoin odoriferum
Berberis Thunbergii

Note.—Berberis Thunbergii is a beautiful dense-growing shrub for groups, and decidedly the best plant for a hedge, being hardy, needing hardly any pruning, and lasting for years even under neglect. Fine plants \$3.00 per 100, \$25.00 per 1000. Expressed. Bignonia Radicans

Note.—Bignonia radicans is the Trumpet Vine, that bears big clusters of large red flowers during summer and autumn, followed by huge pods that remain on throughout the winter. It has lovely foliage and is a choice hardy vine.

Buckeye, Horse Chestnut
Callicarpa Americana
California Privet
Calycanthus floridus
Catalpa Kämpferi

Bignonioides
Speciosa

Note.—Catalpa speciosa

is a beautiful flowering tree blooming when quite small. The flowers are large and shaped like the beautiful Rehmannia, white with spots, and borne in immense panicles at the tips of the numerous branches; very showy.

Celtis occidentalis
Cercis Canadensis
Celastrus scandens
Cissus heterophylla, vine
Colutea Arborescens
Cornus Sericea

Floridus, Dogwood
Note.—C. Sericea is a native shrub with red stems, blooming in summer, and covered with purple berries in clusters in autumn. C. floridus is the elegant white Dogwood, one of the most beautiful of our flowering native shrubs.

Corylus Americana
Cottoneaster microphylla
Cydonia Japonica
Deutzia gracilis

Crenata fl. pleno
Note.—Deutzia gracilis is a rather dwarf, compact sort, very free-blooming, and very beautiful. It is hardy, and a superb shrub that should be generally grown. The flowers are pure white, in fine sprays.

Dimorphanthus mandshuricus
Diospyrus virginica
Eucalyptus,
Gunnii, hardy

Euonymus Americana
Euonymus Japonicus
Japonicus variegatus
Forsythia Viridisima
Suspensa (Sieboldii)

Fraxinus excelsa (Ash)
White, also Blue
Genista tinctoria
Gleditschia Sinensis
Triacantha, Honey Locust

Glycine
Magnifica
Sinensis
Hickory, Shellbark
Honeysuckle, Hall's hardy
Reticulata aurea
Scarlet trumpet

Note.—Hall's Honeysuckle is a richly fragrant, everblooming hardy vine, excellent for covering a wire fence, or forming a screen; flowers white and cream in great abundance. H. reticulata aurea has lovely golden reticulated foliage, and is gorgeous in autumn.

Horse Chestnut
Hydrangea arborescens
Ivy, English, green
Abbotsford, variegated
Variegated-leaved

Jasmine nudiflorum
Kalmia latifolia, Laurel
Note.—Kalmia latifolia is the Mountain Laurel, the finest of our native mountain flowers. I offer nice, well-rooted little plants. I cannot always supply these, but have a fine stock now.

Kentucky Coffee Tree
Kerria Japonica fl. pleno
Note.—Kerria Japonica fl. pl. is the double Corchorus Rose, bearing very double golden flowers in abundance during spring and fall.

Koelreuteria paniculata
Ligustrum Ibotum
Note.—This is a beautiful hedge plant, hardy, dense, requiring but little pruning, and very graceful in

growth. I can supply nice 2-year plants for a hedge at \$2.00 per hundred, \$15.00 per thousand. It is also a fine summer-blooming plant when grown as a single specimen. Not prepaid.

Ligustrum Amoor river
Lilac, white, purple
Liquidamber, Sweet Gum
Liriodendron, Tulip Tree
Lycium Chinese
Magnolia Tripetala
Maple, scarlet
Sugar, also Cut-leaf
Mulberry, Russian

Note.—This is fine to bear fruit for birds; the tree is hardy, pretty, and bears freely throughout summer. 100 trees expressed, not prepaid, \$2.00.

Old Man, Artemesia
Paulownia imperialis
Poplar or Tulip tree
Pyrus baccata
Malus floribunda
Pussy Willow
Rhamnus Carolinus
Rhodotrys Kerrioides
Rhus Cotinus, Smoke Tree
Ribes, Sweet Currant
Floridum, black.

Note.—The Sweet Currant is a grand hardy shrub. The flowers come early, and are golden yellow in graceful hanging clusters, and deliciously scented. It should be at every home.

Robinia, pseudo-acacia
Hispida
Decaisneana
Viscosa

Rosa Rubiginosa, Sw. Brier
Rose, Mary Washington
Wichuriana, white
Setigera

Monthly, in variety
Salix, Lucida, Shining W.
Babylonica, Weeping W.
Sambucus Canadensis

Cut-leaf
Everblooming
Raceme, red berries
Note.—Sambucus is the Elderberry, and the Ever-blooming has lovely flowers and fine edible fruit throughout the season. I especially recommend it.

Snowball, old-fashioned
Spartium scoparium
Sophora Japonica
Spirea Anthony Waterer

Callosa alba
Reevesii, double
Van Houtte, single
Opulifolia

Stephanandra flexuosa
Sugar-berry or Hackberry
Note.—I have fine plants of this tree, which is fine for shade in summer, and in winter is covered with sugar-berries that are relished by birds. Botanical name is Celtis occidentalis.

Symphoricarpus
Vulgaris, Indian Currant
Tilia Americana, Linden
Ulmus Americanus, Elm
Vitus cordifolia, Frost

Grape
Weigela, floribunda, pink
Variegata, variegated foliage

Weeping Willow
White Willow
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SUMMER.

Past, the winter's storm—
The spring is through—
The earth beats warm
And my heart, too.

Cayuga Co., N. Y. Cora A. Matson Dolson.

THE HYBRID CALCEOLARIA.

THE VARIOUS SPECIES of Calceolaria are shrubby, sub-shrubby or herbaceous. They belong to the Figwort family, Serophulariaceæ, and are among the most showy and beautiful of flowers. The shrubby sorts are used for bedding, and the herbaceous sorts for pots. The many beautiful Calceolarias grown in conservatories and the window garden, are hybrids of herbaceous species, and the flowers are mostly larger in size than those of the other species, are rich in texture, exquisite in color, and strikingly striped and spotted. Most of the species were introduced from Chile and Peru during the past century, and when first brought to notice the beauty of the flowers and the easy culture of the plants produced quite a sensation among florists and lovers of choice plants. Later the Calceolarias were more or less neglected, but in recent years the great improvement found in the hybrid varieties, has again brought them into favor, and they are becoming more popular every year.

The plants are easily propagated from seeds, which should be of a choice strain, carefully saved. Sow them in pressed rows of sifted sand and leaf-mould, and do not cover the seeds but place a glass over the pot in which they are sown. Keep the soil moist, but not wet. When the plants are large enough prick

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them out into a shallow tray of soil of the same character, setting them two inches apart, and when growth begins place chopped tobacco stems over the surface to prevent an attack of plant lice, which sometimes become troublesome. As soon as the foliage begins to grow, shift the little plants into three-inch pots, using a compost made up of half-rotted sods, leaf mould and coarse sand, with good drainage. Pot firmly and keep moderately watered and in a rather sunny situation. Never allow the soil to dry out, as it will seriously injure the plants. Later shift again into five-inch pots and encourage growth as before, watering occasionally with weak liquid manure. When winter comes give the plants a frost-proof place and water sparingly, but enough to keep them from lagging and wilting. As spring approaches give them more water and more heat, and when growth becomes active shift into seven-inch pots. As the sun becomes stronger the plants will show buds and eventually become a mass of exquisitely formed and colored flowers, eliciting the admiration of all who see them. They will bloom for two months or more, after which the plants can be cut back and cuttings started from them later, if desired. As a rule, however, it is better to propagate the plants from seeds sown in June or July. Such plants, as a rule, are healthier and more vigorous than those started from cuttings, and the flowers are larger and more free-blooming. The seeds are very small, and the plants at first delicate, but as they advance they become sturdier, and are as easily cared for as most of the seedling plants grown for winter blooming. Those who have never before grown these lovely blooming pot plants will be delighted with them.



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Statice Latifolia.—This plant is readily grown from seeds, and when once started will last for several years. It is one of the most beautiful of the Statice family, and one of the most easily grown. The seeds are quite small, and must be sparingly covered with sandy soil. Keep the soil moist, and shade until the young plants get started, after which partial shade will be beneficial.

Foxglove.—Plants of Foxglove are sensitive to dense fog, which prevails in many places during early spring. In a foggy locality the plants should be grown in sandy soil, in a high part of the garden, or where the soil will be thoroughly drained and well exposed to the air. *Digitalis gloxiniaeflora* and *Digitalis purpurea* are more tender than some of the other kinds. The yellow, small-flowered species is possibly the hardiest of the lot.

Narcissus in Missouri.—A subscriber in Missouri has had a bed of Narcissus for five years. The plants grow well but do not bloom. She should transplant them to a sandy, sunny bed, where they will ripen up well in autumn. A dressing of quicklime should be given the bed in preparing it. Set the bulbs three inches deep and six inches apart. In such a situation they should make a fine display of flowers in the course of two or three years.

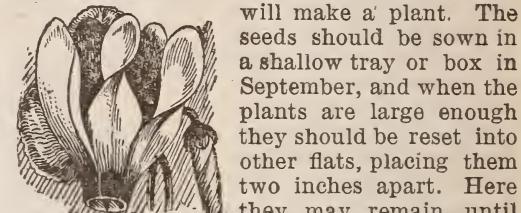
Dahlia Culture.—In a rich, tenacious soil Dahlias will often make a strong growth, but will develop few buds, and the flowers are often imperfect. If such soil is treated with lime it will improve it, and the buds and flowers will be more satisfactory. A sunny situation is preferable. If possible give the plants a well-drained, sandy soil, cultivating thoroughly during the early part of the season. As hot weather approaches mulch the ground with stable litter, and the plants will grow and bloom satisfactorily. Some varieties are more free-blooming than others, and these are preferable, especially for bedding purposes, or where a rich display of bloom is desired.

LIME WATER.

ASUBSCRIBER wants to know what proportion of lime to use in making lime water. In making lime water to apply upon sour soil to neutralize the acid a piece of burnt lime as large as a pint measure would be sufficient for two gallons of water. The lime will not slack at once, if placed in water, but if the water is poured on the lime, allowing the air to have access to the stone, it will quickly slack or turn into powder, and the balance of the water can then be added and stirred until the powder is thoroughly mixed with the water, making what is known as whitewash. Allow the material to stand until the lime settles to the bottom, then apply the clear liquid. It is well known that plants do not thrive when the soil is charged with acid. This sour soil becomes a breeding place for small flies, and has a rank, ill smell. When the soil is in this condition allow it to almost dry out, then water with lime water, which will neutralize the acid and bring the soil into a healthy condition. The lime water will also destroy any larvæ or small worms which infest it.

Growing Cyclamen from Seeds.

—Cyclamen are generally grown by florists from seeds, requiring from three to four weeks to germinate, and almost every seed



will make a plant. The seeds should be sown in a shallow tray or box in September, and when the plants are large enough they should be reset into other flats, placing them two inches apart. Here they may remain until they crowd, when they should be potted in two and one-half inch pots, the soil being a rich sandy, fibrous loam. Pot firmly with the corm or tuber above the soil, keep regularly watered and in a rather sunny situation until spring, then shift into larger pots and continue watering as before. Do not allow the roots to crowd or the soil to become dry. By shifting as required the plants will occupy four-inch or five-inch pots by summer. These should be placed in a cold frame outdoors, where they will be protected from wind and storm. Ventilate well throughout the daytime.

Propagating Clematis.—The best way to propagate *Clematis paniculata* and other species, is to sow fresh seeds of them early in spring. The seeds should be gathered in autumn, and kept in a cool, rather moist temperature until spring. *Clematis Jackmanii* is usually propagated from layers and by cuttings, but the amateur will succeed better by sowing seeds. Unless the seeds are fresh they require from two to three years to start. It is well, therefore, to sow the seeds where the bed will not be disturbed until they have had sufficient time to germinate.

BLUE AND PURPLE PERENNIALS.

AMONG the earliest blue flowers of spring is *Vinca minor*. The plants are perfectly hardy, trailing, and bloom profusely. Later the blue Columbine, *Myosotis palustris* and *Aubrieta purpurea* make a glorious display in the garden, followed by Canterbury Bells and Bell Flowers of various species. During summer and autumn, the *Platycodon* is one of the most showy of garden perennials. The plants increase in size from year to year and never fail to bloom profusely. One of the best of the hardy perennial flowers is the Perennial Larkspur. This will bloom during the summer, the plants often growing six feet or more in height, bearing enormous spikes of showy blue flowers of various shades. If the first spikes are cut when the flowers begin to fade, new shoots will be produced which will bloom well in autumn after the frosts have destroyed many of the annuals. A very pretty summer-blooming perennial is *Linum perenne*, known as Perennial Flax. A bed of this flower

is exceedingly showy in the morning for many days. The plants are very graceful and excite much admiration when in bloom. *Centaurea Montana* and *Salvia prætensis* are also choice hardy perennials, showy



SALVIA PRÆTENSIS.

and lasting, and blooming in May and later. There are many varieties of *Iris Germanica* and *Iris Kaempferi* that bear gorgeous blue flowers during spring and summer. The plants are perfectly hardy, and are of easy culture. *Iris Siberica* is also a perfectly hardy plant, with pretty foliage and rich blue flowers. It should be one of the collection. *Baptisia Australis* is a strong-growing, hardy plant, bearing long spikes of pea-like, indigo-blue flowers during summer, followed by immense seed-pods. It is beautiful in foliage as well as in flower, and deserves a place in every garden. All of these plants may be grown from seeds, which can be sown in the spring or summer. The plants will usually bloom the second season after they are started.

Cyclamen Blasting.—The leaves and buds of Cyclamen often blast in winter because of the dry, gaseous atmosphere. To overcome the trouble ventilate well, moistening the atmosphere by keeping shallow, open pans of water upon the register or radiator. This will be beneficial to the inmates as well as the plants.

PASSION VINE.

SEVERAL species of the Passion Vine grown from seeds cannot be depended upon by the amateur to develop flowers in the window, even though of blooming age. In the South the common blue Passion Vine grows wild and produces handsome fruits as well as flowers, but seedling vines of the same species, grown in pots at the North, are rarely seen in bloom. Those who are fond of the Passion Vine and wish plants that are free-blooming should secure the vine known as *Passiflora Pfordtii*. This Passion Vine will begin to bloom when quite small, and will bloom almost continuously during the summer season. It should be given a string or trellis for support. It is grown from cuttings. The plant should be shifted into a larger pot as it develops, and in autumn water sparingly and give it a retired place, so that it may rest during the winter months. When spring comes plant again and encourage renewed growth.



Cactuses.—The old Cow-tongue Cactus is a species of *Opuntia*, and is found growing wild in the Southern States, where it is perfectly hardy. Some species are hardy even as far north as Michigan. The Snake Cactus is a species of *Cereus*. It is not hardy, and must be grown in a pot in the window at the North. *Opuntias* are readily raised from seeds, and a packet of seeds will produce a number of kinds. The same may be said of the Snake Cactus or *Cereus*. *Cereus grandiflorus* is known as the Night Blooming Cactus. *Cereus flagelliformis* is called Rat Tail Cactus. Most of these Cactuses must be obtained from florists or Cactus fanciers.

For a Shady Place.—A good vine for a shady place is *Cobaea Scandens*. It likes heat and partial shade, but will endure a rather dense shade, making a fine growth of foliage and bloom. The plants are easily started from seeds, which should be set edgewise in the soil. The vines will grow twenty-five to thirty feet the first season, and if taken up, they can be kept in the house during the winter and set out again in the spring. It should be furnished with a string support or trellis.



EDITORIAL LETTER.

MY DEAR FRIENDS:—How delightful it is in the perennial garden this fine May morning! Many of the hardy herbaceous plants are in full bloom, the birds that are nesting in the shrubbery are singing more merrily, the sun is shedding his soft, warm rays upon the verdant landscape, and the gentle breeze is laden with the sweet perfume of myriads of flowers. Truly we can sing with the poet,

"It is May, it is May,
And all the earth is gay."

For at this season the world seems perfectly beautiful, and the joys of life that are derived from Nature's summer sweets could hardly be enhanced.

But let us take a look at some of the perennial flowers that are now so pleasing in grace



SWEET ROCKET.

and color and fragrance. As we enter you will notice at the right, near the path, a little bed of white, Phlox-like flowers, showy and highly perfumed. That is the new dwarf Sweet Rocket. The plants grow evenly to the height of one foot, and the clusters of bloom are short and compact, appearing at a little distance not unlike some dwarf early flowering varieties of perennial Phlox. It is a valuable perennial, and deserves to be better known. A companion variety is of similar habits, but has violet flowers. The old-fashioned Sweet Rocket grows three feet high, and the flowers are borne in big, loose panicles. If you will cast your eye over the garden you will see several beds of these, ranging in color from white to lilac and purple. They are usually valuable for a showy garden display,

and their fragrance makes the garden air redolent with perfume. The plants are easily raised from seeds, and when once started they will take care of themselves.

When speaking of Sweet Rocket (*Hesperis matronalis*) I wish to mention a biennial that has flowers of similar appearance, but which come much earlier in the spring. Its common names are "Honesty" and "Silverleaf," but in the catalogues it is called *Lunaria biennis*.



AQUILEGIA CŒRULEA.

The plant grows a foot high, branches freely, and becomes a little tree, covered with bright panicles of bloom. Grouped a foot apart in a bed it makes a fine display, opening with the late Tulips. The flowers are succeeded by curious, broad, circular, silvery seed-pods, from which the common name of Silverleaf is derived. The plants are easily raised from seeds, sown during spring or summer for the next season's bloom.

Just back of the dwarf Sweet Rocket is a group of the new yellow *Aquilegia cœrulea*. The flowers are large, with long spurs, and of a golden yellow color faintly tinged with rose. The plants are hardly more than a foot high. Further on in the garden is a bed of the true *Aquilegia cœrulea*, blue, the corolla of which is pure white, while the sepals and large spurs are of a rich blue. This is one of the finest of Columbines, and perfectly hardy. Over near the center of the garden I want you to notice the big bed of mixed Columbines. Some of the plants are four feet high, are branching, and bear lovely scarlet and yellow flowers with long spurs. Some have pink flowers, and some shades of blue, while many of these flowers are pure white. The flowers are both single and double. What a glorious combination of graceful and showy flowers! Surely every garden should have a large bed of mixed Columbines. The plants are hardy and tenacious,



ENGLISH DAISY.

and when once planted will live and bloom for years with but little attention. They seem to delight in a deep, rich, partially shaded bed, and continue in bloom throughout late spring and early summer.

Passing the big bed of Roses we come to several beds of double English Daisy, *Bellis perennis*, in full bloom. The improved, large-flowered varieties are admirable, and most of the flowers of the seedlings are as double as they can be.

The colors range from white to deep rose. The plants are dwarf and rosette-like, and the long-stemmed, delicate



SALVIA PRÆTENSIS.

flowers almost hide the foliage. If people knew how easily the plants can be grown from seeds, and how hardy and satisfactory they are these Daisies would be generally grown. These beds have been showing flowers since early in spring, and will continue in bloom more or less until winter comes. The English Double Daisy should be as common as the Pansy, being as early and free- and continuous blooming, and more tenacious. These beds were sown last August, and the plants began to bloom before winter. They were not protected in any way during winter. Upon my lawn there have been a few plants of Double Daisy for several years, and they are now covered with pretty double flowers, as care was taken in mowing not to crop off the buds and flowers. They seem to be able to hold their own with the encroaching grasses, and are stronger this season than in previous years.

Those grand masses of indigo blue beyond the Daisies are of *Salvia prætensis*. Never before did I realize the richness and beauty of this hardy *Salvia*. The plants are about 18 inches high, branch near the ground, and each stem is a wreath of bloom. Except for a mass of leaves at the ground the plants appear to be all flowers. The seeds germinate well, and the plants begin to bloom in five months after sowing. They bloom almost continuously, and last for years when once started.



CERASTIUM.

Beyond the old Apple tree you cannot fail to see the carpet of dense, silvery foliage almost smothered with pretty Daisy-like flowers. It is of *Cerastium grandiflorum*, a low-growing, hardy, tenacious perennial that should be generally grown. Once started it will take care of itself. It seems strange that such a lovely and showy plant should be so little known. It is not difficult to grow from seeds.

Passing by the big clumps of showy, semi-tropical foliage of *Heracleum mantegazzianum* and the beds of various-colored Pansies we come to the long bed of Perennial Poppies. How gorgeous they are in both foliage and bloom. The foliage is truly beautiful—each long, laciniated leaf appearing like a big, graceful fern-frond, and each flower resembling a huge single Peony held aloft on a strong stem, the colors scarlet, crimson, salmon and pink. These giant garden flowers



PERENNIAL POPPIES.

seen above the rich mass of foliage always elicit unbounded expressions of admiration. All they want is a deep, moist, fertile soil and plenty of sunshine. They start quickly from seeds and bloom early.

As we pass out of the garden please notice the big beds of Iris, mostly German and Hybrid varieties. The plants are not so full of



GERMAN IRIS.

bloom as in previous years, but there are enough to make a creditable display in white and pink and yellow and blue and purple. The ease with which these elegant flowers may be grown recommends them to everybody who has a flower garden, or even a little yard around the house. Sincerely yours,

La Park, Pa., May 20, 1913. The Editor.

PROPAGATING AND GROWING CANNAS.

CANNAS are easily propagated from seeds sown in a hot-bed in early spring, or outdoors when the Apple trees are in bloom.

To promote germination some persons pour boiling water upon the seeds, allowing them to remain in the water for twenty-four hours, then sow them. Others file the seeds until an opening is made to the germ, after which the seeds will promptly germinate. If the seeds are strictly fresh, however, they will start in two or three weeks without artificial treatment. Seedlings thus grown will begin to bloom during the summer or autumn, and will often make fine blooming plants the first season.

The most beautiful Cannas, however, are the named ones, as King Humbert and Richard



to mulch the bed well with stable litter. This will keep the soil moist and promote the free growth and development of the plants. When frost comes remove the tops and dig up the clumps with soil attached, placing them in a rather dry, warm cellar for preservation during the winter. In spring shake off the soil, cut the roots apart, leaving an eye or two to each piece, place in shallow trays, cover with Sphagnum Moss, and keep in a rather warm place. They will soon grow and be ready to set out when danger from frost is past.

The improved Orchid-flowering Cannas, such as King Humbert, make a gorgeous display in a bed during summer. They will endure any amount of sunshine and heat if the bed is mulched and the soil about the roots kept moist. Such a bed makes a fine display throughout the season, for new spikes are continually coming as the older ones mature. The foliage is semi-tropical in appearance, and is almost as showy as the flowers, being

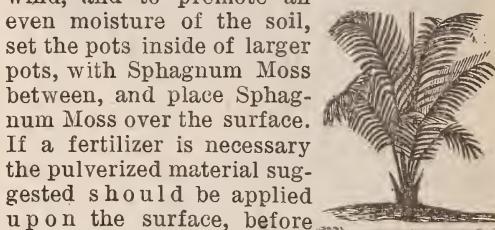
bronzy-red or a clear beautiful green in color. The flowers of some varieties are yellow and red, margined or spotted, and some are red or scarlet or crimson. The Canna is one of the most beautiful of our bedding plants, and is justly popular.

About Palms.—A dressing of pulverized cow-chips or sheep manure may be advantageously used upon Palms, but it is well to avoid too liberal an application. Also avoid phosphate or bonedust, as these are sometimes injurious. In summer Palms do well in a partially shaded situation sheltered from the wind, and to promote an even moisture of the soil, set the pots inside of larger pots, with Sphagnum Moss between, and place Sphagnum Moss over the surface. If a fertilizer is necessary the pulverized material suggested should be applied upon the surface, before placing the Sphagnum Moss. The tips of the leaves of Palms kept in the house during winter will often turn brown. When the plants are set outside and treated as directed, the new leaves will be perfect, and the drying of the older leaves will be arrested. It is not safe to try to winter Palms in the cellar, as they are tropical plants, and must have a warmer temperature.

Crambe Cordifolia.—This is a hardy plant growing six feet high, the top branching freely and bearing small white flowers, not unlike those of Horse Radish, being a Cruciferous plant.

The seeds are not unlike those of Turnip or Radish, and the plants are as easily grown as the plants of these vegetables. A clump of the plants in bloom is like a waving cloud of white, and makes a fine display at a distance. It is a plant well worthy of cultivation, and is suitable for a background or a retired place on the lawn or garden. The plants become more showy and beautiful as they increase in age, and for this reason they should occupy a place where they are not disturbed.

Aspidistra.—Plants of Aspidistra grow well outdoors in a rather shady place during summer. They need not be removed to the house until after frost, as they are almost hardy. Water moderately and see that the drainage is good. A compost of rotted sods, sand and manure will be suitable for them. They are among the most easily grown of house plants, and are much used for house decoration where Palms would prove a failure. If some pulverized coal is worked into the potting compost, it will tend to retain the variegation of the foliage.



ABOUT CINERARIAS.

THE HYBRID CINERARIAS are among the most showy and beautiful of window plants. The seeds should be sown in spring, and the young plants pricked out into shallow flats when they are large enough to handle. At this time the soil should be covered with chopped tobacco stems. Keep the flat in a cool, shady place, and when the plants begin to crowd, pot them in three-inch pots, sinking the pots in a tray of sand, so that an even amount of moisture may be retained in the soil. Keep the soil moist, but not wet. When the roots begin to crowd in the pots, shift into

pots a size larger, and keep shifting until the plants are in five-inch or six-inch pots, when they may be allowed to develop buds and flowers. At all times remember to place chopped tobacco stems or tobacco dust over the soil, as the plants are very liable to attacks of plant lice. Avoid the hot midday sun throughout the summer, as the plants do better in a cool, well-ventilated place during the summer months. In autumn, before frost, remove the plants to the plant window, and encourage them to develop their buds. At this time an occasional watering with weak manure water will be found beneficial. During winter they will bear considerable sunshine and a temperature of from 50 to 70 degrees. Avoid sudden changes of temperature, and syringe the foliage occasionally to keep it clean and free from pests. The seeds of Cineraria germinate in a few days, and the plants are not difficult to grow, if the precautions here given are heeded.

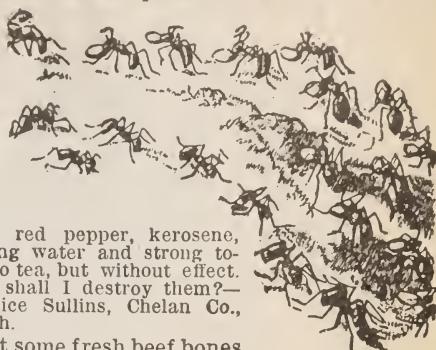
Chinese Cinnamon Vine.—The Chinese Cinnamon Vine likes a rather sunny situation, and will begin to bloom when two or three years old. If the soil is rather sandy and free from acid the plants will grow from fifteen to twenty feet high, and bloom freely in autumn. The clusters are white, fragrant, and last but a few days. Propagation is readily effected from the bulblets, which are produced at the axils of the leaves.

Wintering Feverfew.—*Matricaria capensis fl. pl.*, which is one of the prettiest of double Feverfews, is hardy, and will winter as far north as New York without protection. Farther north an open board frame may be placed around the bed, and about the holidays some leafless brush thrown on to keep out the cold. Do not cover the plants with leaves, as such material will smother them.

**TO RID SOIL OF ANTS.**

FROM the State of Washington comes the following complaint and inquiry:

Mr. Editor:—Our place, both house and garden, is just alive with ants. They bore holes in the roots of the plants and kill them. I have



tried red pepper, kerosene, boiling water and strong tobacco tea, but without effect. How shall I destroy them?—Bernice Sullins, Chelan Co., Wash.

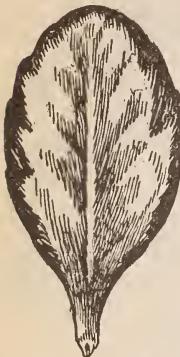
Get some fresh beef bones at a butcher shop and place where the ants will find them. The insects will collect upon these bones, then they can be dipped into boiling water and the ants thus destroyed. Another remedy is to mix arsenic with molasses and smear on paper and place where the ants congregate. In placing this remedy care must be taken that the useful insects, such as bees, do not have access to it. In such case the poison might do more harm than good.

ABOUT BOUVARDIAS.

BOUVARDIAS are Mexican plants and will endure considerable variation of temperature. The natural blooming season is the winter, and to have good plants ready for blooming by autumn young plants should be obtained in the spring and shifted into pots as they grow, until they occupy six-inch pots. At the same time they should be frequently pinched back, in order to make them bushy and insure a free development of flower spikes. The flowers are of various colors, from white to crimson, and the double variety is preferable to the single. During the summer the pots can be plunged outdoors in a rather sunny situation and kept well watered. To prevent an attack of insects, syringe frequently, and if chopped tobacco stems are placed over the pots, the material will act as a fertilizer as well as a preventive of the pests. In autumn the pots should be removed to the window before cold weather comes, and care taken to not allow the sun to shine against the sides of the pots. The soil best suited for the plants is a fibrous potting compost, made up of sods, sand and well-rotted manure, with good drainage. The plants like a rather warm temperature, and the atmosphere should be kept moist by evaporation of water. The shifting and pinching back will prevent summer blooming, and the plants will then be in condition to bloom abundantly when winter sets in.

EVERGREEN VINES.

THE common hardy Myrtle, *Vinca minor*, is a beautiful evergreen vine, and quickly covers the ground wherever it is planted. It thrives in either sun or shade and blooms freely in early spring, bearing very



EUONYMUS.

Euonymus radicans variegata, which has foliage that is white with green center. This can be trained to cover a wall or building, or it can be allowed to trail upon the ground. Any of these evergreen shrubs can be used for cemetery decoration.

pretty blue flowers. A variety with yellow and green variegated leaves is perhaps preferable to the plain green variety for many purposes. It is especially useful for vases and window boxes. Another evergreen vine is the English Ivy, which is also valuable as a trailer, and can be used to cover unsightly places either in winter or summer. It is also adapted for growing upon a trellis. A vine of more than ordinary attraction is

Succulent Plants.—The various species of *Sedum* are succulent plants of easy culture that do well in a dry, sunny climate. *Mesembryanthemum* in variety will also do well in such a climate. *Othonna crassifolia* is a basket plant well suited for a warm, dry climate. *Echeveria* and *Aloes* in sorts are mostly pot plants of a succulent nature. The various species of *Sempervivum* or Live Forever, whether tender or hardy, are desirable for a dry situation. Cactuses, *Gasterias* and *Sansevierias* are also succulent plants, and delight in a hot, dry atmosphere.



SANSEVIERA.

Portulaca and *Calandrinia* are annuals, easily grown from seeds, and excellent blooming plants for summer, where a dry soil and atmosphere prevail. Most of these succulents are easily grown from seeds, which may be obtained from large seed dealers at from five to ten cents per packet.

Sweet Peppers.—To promote free blooming of Sweet Peppers it is well to give the soil a dressing of lime and bonedust, especially if it is of a tenacious character. Where the soil is of a sandy nature, it will hardly be necessary to use the lime, as such soil is rarely charged with acid, and naturally promotes the free development of flowers and fruits. As hot weather approaches mulch with stable litter, which will keep the soil moist and cool, and prevent blighting of the buds.

CROWN OF THORNS.

THE PLANT generally known as Crown of Thorns is *Euphorbia Splendens*, a prickly plant bearing clusters of vermilion-colored flowers during late winter and spring. It is a curious plant, and excites much attention because of its thorny character and its pretty flowers, which are freely produced. The plant is of easy culture, and will grow in a small-sized pot. A rather sandy potting compost and a sunny situation suits it. The growth is slow, and in autumn it loses its foliage and stands dormant during the winter. The flowers appear just before the new leaves develop. The plant is sometimes trained to a trellis. The common name comes from the fanciful idea that the crown of thorns that was placed upon our Saviour's brow was made of the branches of this plant.

**LILIUM AURATUM.**

BULBS of this Lily should be obtained early in spring and planted six inches deep, the soil being moderately sandy and well-drained. The bulbs will throw up strong shoots and bloom during the summer. In autumn do not disturb the bulbs, but simply cover the bed with coal ashes, with some strawy manure thrown over to turn the water. This covering should be removed before the plants appear in the spring. *Lilium Auratum* is hardy, but the conditions are not always favorable to its growth, and the plants are liable to die out in the course of three or four years. It is better to depend upon newly purchased bulbs, and the best size to get is that known as nine to eleven inches in circumference. Such bulbs can always be depended upon to make a fine display of bloom in the summer, at least during the first year. *Lilium Auratum* is one of the most beautiful of garden Lilies, the flowers being of immense size, mostly of a creamy white, spotted, and each petal having a broad, golden stripe down the center. The flower is deliciously fragrant, and is always admired for its rich fragrance as well as its regal beauty.

Non-blooming Geraniums.—Seedling Geraniums sometimes fail to bloom for many months when the soil is tenacious and somewhat charged with acid. To promote early blooming it is well to give the soil a dressing of fresh-slacked lime, or to fertilize it with bonedust. Where a sandy bed can be used it is better to set the plants out in full sunshine, mulching the bed when hot weather approaches. Here they will rarely fail to develop buds and flowers.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Plant Name.—Mr Park: I send you a leaf, also seeds, of a small vine which I wish you to name. It is very pretty in foliage, has blue, tubular flowers in abundance during autumn. In this vicinity the plants will endure the winter with some protection.—Miss H. McFarland, Coryell Co., Texas.



Ans.—The leaf and seeds, as well as the description, indicate that the vine is *Maurandya Barclayana*. It is easily started from seeds which can be sown early in spring, and the vine will bloom in autumn. It will climb to the height of six feet, forming a dense mass of graceful

foliage, which becomes an admirable background for the handsome, tubular flowers. There are a number of varieties of colors, ranging from white to blue. It is a beautiful trellis plant. It blooms well in the window in winter when grown in a large pot.

Cactus Pest.—Mr. Park: I have a Cactus that is troubled with a pest. It forms a web-like substance on the surface, and under the web is a small, pinkish insect nearly like a louse. How shall I get rid of it?—Louise Stutmeister, Fond du Lac Co., Wis.

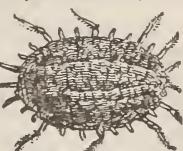
Ans.—The pest referred to is, doubtless, the Mealy Bug. With a splint, such as a toothpick or a match, scrape away the web, then dip the plant in soapsuds as hot as the hand will bear, or in Quassia Chips tea. Two or three of these treatments, at intervals of two or three days, will eradicate the pest.

Tritomas.—Mr. Park: How should I care for Tritomas, and will the roots live outside in winter? Mrs. E. V. C., Tazewell Co., Ill., May 12, 1913.

Ans.—Tritomas are easily raised from seeds and by division of the old plants. The roots of such varieties as *Tritoma MacOwani* and

T. Corallina are perfectly hardy, and will live and bloom for years, unless the situation is very unfavorable. *MacOwani* is a large, showy variety of the *Uvaria* type, and blossoms almost continuously during the late summer and autumn. *Corallina* is a more dwarf variety, also ever-blooming. It is

generally better to buy the plants already grown, than to grow them from seeds, as seedlings require several years to become blooming plants.



Lantana from Seeds.—Mr. Park: How are Lantanas started from seeds? I have soaked the seeds and tried every way I know, but they will not start.—Flower Lover, Iowa, May 15, 1913.

Ans.—Lantana seeds are nutlets, often containing several germs, each of which will form a plant. They are tardy in germination, because the outer covering is hard and bone-like, and at first impervious to water. Soaking the seeds for a day in warm water ought to hasten germination. The seeds should be covered an eighth of an inch deep, the soil firmed and kept moist, but not wet, until the plants appear, which should be in two to three weeks. If the soil should dry out the sprouting germs would be destroyed. If kept too wet they are liable

to rot. Lantana likes a warm, sunny situation. In late spring it is well to sow the seeds outdoors in a slightly shaded place, covering with buckwheat hulls to promote an even moisture and temperature. In every case the ground should be kept moist until the plants appear.

Dahlia.—Mr. Park: Can Dahlias be started from slips, and how is it done; also, how can we gather seeds from the flowers?—Mrs. Reed, Spokane Co., Wash., May 8, 1913.

Ans.—Dahlias are readily started from cuttings inserted in sand. As a rule, the cuttings are taken shortly after the sprouts appear above the ground, and before there is a cavity at the center. The oftener cuttings are made the more appear. One clump will often produce at one time from forty to fifty cuttings, if the cuttings have been taken several times previously. Dahlias are also readily started from seeds, which germinate in three to four days, and become blooming plants about mid-summer, when started in spring. The seeds are gathered in a climate that promotes their development. In the Western States the seeds rarely mature, but in California and Italy the climate seems adapted to their development. The double Dahlia produces but few seeds, hence good seeds of double Dahlia are expensive. As a rule the best method of propagation for amateurs, is by dividing the clumps in spring after the sprouts have appeared. Or, buy and sow seeds that have been carefully gathered in a favorable climate.

Fuchsia Pest.—Mr. Park: I have a Fuchsia which is covered with some white insects that stay on the underside of the leaves. How shall I get rid of them?—Lillian M. Rosenberger, Beaver Co., Pa.

Ans.—Spray the foliage, especially on the under side, with lime and sulphur solution, in the proportion of one part solution to 15 parts water. The material will be all the more effective if applied as hot as the hand will bear.



GAILLARDIAS AND VERBENAS.

THE HARDY GAILLARDIA makes a gorgeous display in the garden, and it is as pretty as a cut flower and lasts several days in water if a pinch of salt is added. I like them placed in a tall vase, as they appear more attractive than in a low vase or bowl. They are perfectly hardy, will grow larger each year, and produce more flowers annually. I have had them for several years. Why are they not better known and more freely grown? They are easily raised from seeds.

Four years ago I bought four packets of Verbena seeds and planted them in an oblong bed. The

plants bloomed profusely all summer. I gathered many seeds from them, and hundreds of volunteers came up the next spring. Then I enlarged the bed to twice its former size, and have had volunteers enough to reset it each year since. They have come in so many beautiful shades of color. They make pretty beds and borders. They were used in the dial of the big clock at the St. Louis Exhibition in 1904. They will stand more frost than most other annuals.

Miss M. Ratliff.

Lorimor, Ia.

Field Daisy in Winter.—I wonder if the flower folks realize how pretty is the Field Daisy in winter? In Massachusetts the common Daisy, or "White Weed," is cut down by the mower in haying time, but late in the fall in some places may be seen a vigorous cluster of deep green, new Daisy leaves, which look inviting for one to try the trowel upon. One such cluster was lifted one year in November and put into a large pot. The roots are close, and require plenty of pot-room. A large but shallow pot is a good kind, somewhat more shallow than the ordinary shaped flower-pot. The blossoms, coming in February, make one smile.

Elizabeth H. Grover.

Essex Co., Mass., May 9, 1913.

Sweet Rocket.—I have a nice bed of Sweet Rocket which I like very much. It blooms earlier in the spring than most of the flowers I raise and blooms very freely. It also self-sows, furnishing plenty of new plants.

L. E. S.

Ulysses, Neb., Nov. 23, 1912.

[Note.—Sweet Rocket is not unlike Perennial Phlox in appearance, but blooms in the spring. The flowers are deliciously fragrant, and a few plants will perfume the whole garden. If cut freely the plants will bloom more or less all summer.—Ed.]



VERBENA FLOWERS.

CALLA LILIES.

I AM GOING to tell the sisters how I treat my Calla Lilies, and they never fail to bloom, having from one to six blossoms at one time. Last winter one blossom-stalk came up from the same place as another. The first one was cut away just when it was beginning to turn brown, to make room for the second one. Last fall I did some root-pruning, the tuber and roots being larger than I could get in the can that I wanted to use.

I have the best success growing them in tall, straight dishes just a little larger than the tuber. First I put small stones in the bottom of the dish, then a little dirt, next some horse manure, then a little more dirt, and the Calla tuber next, filling around the tuber and a sprinkle of dirt on top. I get the dirt from an old chip-pile. My Lilies failed to bloom until I used chip-dirt, and made the discovery that the tubers must be crowded. I have seen lots of Callas growing in large dishes, but never saw such in blossom.

Mrs. C. F. Rinker.

Tunkhannock, Pa.

Carbolic Acid for Insects.—The easiest and best spray I have found for destroying all kinds of insects on house plants, garden plants and Rose bushes is carbolic acid, about one tablespoonful to a gallon of very warm water. For red spider plunge the plant into the spraying solution. Never put plants in the sun while the foliage is wet. I find the evening is the best time for spraying. When I get through spraying I put a little of the solution upon the soil in the pot. Just moisten the soil with it.

Riverside, Wash. Mrs. F. J. Cummings.

Remedy for Plant Lice.—Here is something we have tried with the best results for green lice on plants. I have a pink Oxalis I got from Mr. Park seventeen years ago, which just got alive with green lice. I tried everything recommended, but without success, so I thought I would try Conkey's Chicken Lice Powder. Well, I put it on once, and that was three years ago. The plant has never had any lice upon it since. We have dusted the powder on other plants troubled with red spider with good results, too.

Mrs. Maggie Duckworth.

Westmoreland Co., Pa., 1913.

Asparagus Sprengereri.—Asparagus Sprengereri is easily raised from seeds. It is one of the most beautiful of window plants. The one I have is very large. When it was small it was divided up, and some given away, but now you would not miss any. Some of the branches of mine are almost four feet long.

Olga Walton.

Collin Co., Texas, Oct. 24, 1912.

TREATMENT OF AMARYLLIS.

I WOULD LIKE to tell the flower folks how I treat my Amaryllis, and never fail to have an abundance of bloom. Indeed, I had always supposed them to be of the very easiest culture. The original bulbs were bought of Mr. Park some eight or ten years ago, by an old lady who lives next door; but as she has only north windows for plants they did not bloom, so she brought them over here to give them a chance for their lives, as she said. Now I have five pots of Amaryllis Johnsoni (eight-inch), three bulbs to a pot, and one of Amaryllis Equestre (four bulbs), and this is how I treat them:

In September, with the first hint of frost, they are taken to the furnace room in the cellar and put on a swing shelf, about three feet from the bottom and side of the room (cement), and about eight from the furnace. And there they are let alone until the first of February, when any that show leaves are taken upstairs, and if none show leaves two pots are watered and left for a week, by which time the leaves will begin to show, and they are taken up and put in a south bay window, about six feet from a radiator, where they can get all the light and heat possible. When they are brought up, two more pots are watered, so there is a succession of bloom.

They grow like Jack's Beanstalk, and in two weeks the stalks (which appear at the same time as the leaves) are crowned with the royal blossoms. During the growing and blooming period I water freely with quite warm water, and two or three times with water in which fresh meat has been washed, or liver scalded, which is all the fertilizer they ever get. By the time the last blooms fade it is the first of May, and warm, so I take all the old soil I can without disturbing the roots out of the pots, refill with fresh soil from the flower beds, put the pots in jardinières, and set them on the front porch steps, which face west but are so shaded with big trees that they get only what sun filters through the leaves. There they spend the summer in company with other decorative plants. When the porch is washed with the hose, which is every day in hot and dry weather, the Amaryllis get sprinkled, and when it rains they get soaked, but it seems to agree with them, and the long, strap-like leaves are as green in the fall as when I put them out in the spring. A. Equestre is always first to bloom, and increases faster than A. Johnsoni, but is not so beautiful to my way of thinking. And the older the bulbs the taller the bloom stalks, and the more blossoms to a stalk, as they are one of the flowers that improve with age. Mine have never been repotted in the four years I have had them.

I hope these directions may help some one, as I have been so often helped by articles in our good little paper. Mrs. W. E. Hawley.

Webster City, Ia.

A SATISFACTORY PERENNIAL.

M R. EDITOR: From a packet of mixed seeds I raised four perennial plants which produce pyramidal clusters of fragrant, Stock-like flowers. Three of the plants bear white flowers, and the other lavender ones. They produced but few flowers the first year, but last spring the clumps had increased in size, and were a mass of bloom. They made a bank of "airy fairy" white and lavender, three feet high.

After cutting the faded clusters off there was another fair crop of bloom, but not so fine as the first. Altogether this is one of the loveliest and most satisfactory perennials I have grown, and I would be glad to know its real name.

Mrs. Sallie P. West.

Natural Bridge, Ala., April, 1913.

Ans.—The plant described is, doubtless, that of *Hesperis matronalis*, commonly known as Sweet Rocket. The plant grows three feet high, blooming in May, the colors being white, lilac and purple. A dwarf race growing a foot high, and recommended for bedding, has also been introduced, the colors being white and violet. Once started this perennial will take care of itself, and in certain parts of our country it is found growing in meadows, where it has escaped cultivation. At a distance the clumps of bloom are not unlike those of Perennial Phlox, being quite as showy and handsome, but blooming before the Phlox has begun to show its buds. The plants are easily grown from seeds.



Callirhoes.—The Callirhoe is a pretty and useful hardy perennial, of a trailing habit, with pretty cut foliage and saucer-shaped flowers the size of a dollar. They are of a bright, dark crimson in color, with a white eye the size of a nickle. They are useful as cut flowers, as they last many days. They are pretty on rockeries, or as a border along the walks, or under a bracket window, where we cannot grow tall plants. They commence blooming in early spring, and if the flowers are picked off they will bloom continuously until after severe frosts. Why are they not better known?

M. Ratliff.

Union Co., Ia., March 20, 1913.

Cyclamen.—I cannot think that the age of a Cyclamen has much to do with the plants declining. My sister has several plants ranging from five to seven years old, and they produced larger flowers the past winter than any previous year. I think the decline of a plant is due to improper attention.

Franklin Co., Pa. J. H. Greenawalt.

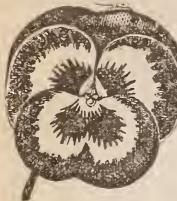
Christmas Cactus.—My winter Cactus is thirty-five years old, and this Christmas it had over 300 blooms on at one time. It was just grand! It has been in the same pot for twenty-seven years. In the summer I set it in the yard and give it some fine manure.

Perry Co., Pa.

Mrs. Tessie P. Huss.

**PANSY AND PETUNIA IN
WINTER.**

DEAR FLOWER FOLKS:—I want to tell you who think your house too cold to keep plants in winter, don't be discouraged, but plant Pansies and Single Petunias in summer, then in the fall pot some for the house, and just see how you will be rewarded. A single plant of Petunia, white or darkest red look best in the window, if given a rack to run on, as it is almost a vine in the house, will fill the whole window, and be



PANSY.

just covered with blossoms all the time. A dear friend has a gallon tin pail with Pansies in, four plants, and their bright little faces looking up to you are so cheerful when all outside is covered with the white blanket. I kept the Double Portulaca, or Rose Moss in the window all winter, but this requires a warmer room than the other two, which will stand quite a little freeze.

Clarke Co., Ia., Feb. 24, 1913. Mrs. A. M.



PETUNIAS.

Transplanting Roses.—Year before last a bed of beautiful Roses failed to bloom, due to the shade of our large Water Oaks. So the last of January I had holes dug 18 inches deep and 12 inches in diameter, and partly filled with scrapings from the cow-lot. These were in a sunny location. The Roses, which were fifteen or sixteen years old, were then carefully taken up and placed in the holes, filling in with soil and manure, and tramping firmly. They had been well pruned, and of the two dozen transplanted not a single one died.

Mrs. Samuel Lancaster.

Pauline, S. C., March 1, 1913.

Nasturtiums and Garden Peas.—The Vine Nasturtiums make a pretty division between the flower and vegetable garden. Make a double row, and plant your early garden Peas; then plant as many Nasturtiums as you did Peas, and train them both up the same support. When you pick the Peas the last time cut the Pea vines off and pull them out, being careful to not break the Nasturtiums. Many people admired mine planted in this way last summer, and some said they were the prettiest they ever saw. Try them.

Miss M. Ratliff.

Lorimor, Ia., March 20, 1913.

Bulbs.—Do the floral sisters know what satisfactory flowers can be grown from bulbs, such as Gladiolus, Tigridia and Tuberose? I am sure if they all knew more would be grown.

L. C. Buckbee.

Westtown, N. Y., May 8, 1913.

ABOUT VIOLETS.

IWISH to add my voice to the editor's in urging more people to plant *Viola odorata*. I, like many others, formerly thought the plants difficult to raise, but I find that in a location suited to Pansy culture, and with a covering of leaves such as given the Pansy for winter protection, they will endure the winter, and will reward you with the little sweet-scented blossoms long e'er the wild ones think of blooming. I picked blossoms from mine on March 20; not only one, but many, and they bloom from cool weather in autumn until hard freezing. In fact, there was no time last winter when I could not find a few blossoms and buds beneath the mulch. Put out your plants early in the spring, then by fall they will be well established and will bloom freely and endure the winter. Around my old plants are dozens of tiny seedlings. These will be of blooming size by fall. I find Hardy Russian to be the hardiest, though not the first-blooming. Sweet English and *Viola Marie Louise* do well. Even my plants of Double Swanly White lived through the winter and are doing fine.

Mrs. Lillie Adkinson.

Concordia, Kas., April 19, 1913.

Perennial Larkspur.—The Perennial Larkspur is a plant hard to equal for summer blooming. The flowers are of such beautiful colors, and the plants are sure to grow and bloom in any ordinary soil with hardly any care. No insects, however, bothered mine, and I have had them for more than three years. They are of very rapid growth and come quickly from seeds.

L. E. H.

Douglas Co., Ore., March 26, 1913.



Experience with Campanula.—

My one plant of *Campanula pyramidalis* last fall sent out a number of short, stocky branches near the base. As an experiment I broke off several of these and put them in the ground, as I would a young plant. I was astonished, as well as pleased, to find this spring that instead of one Chimney Bell flower I had several. The little new plants are growing finely, and I shall plant quite a colony of the branches next fall.

Mrs. Lillie Adkinson.

Concordia, Kas., April 19, 1913.

Eschscholtzia.—*Eschscholtzia* does well here and will withstand the hot weather, drought, and all kinds of neglect, and still give a fine display of lemon- and orange-colored flowers. The foliage is very beautiful, and not easily killed by frost.

Mrs. B. A. Meinert.

Pottawatomie Co., Okla.

**JUNE.**

How sweet is the glen where the bright waters meet,
And the Redbird sings in his leafy retreat,
Where the Catbird whistles and sings his glad tune,
And the air's balmy softness tells the coming of June.

Where the glad waters glide in the pebbly brook,
Refreshing the meadows and each charming nook;
Where the cool breezes blow, and glad on the air
Floats the song of the warbler, distant and rare.

Where the glad songs of Nature all blend and thus
mingle,
And the heart grows tender and the pulses all tingle;
Where rest and peace are, and the sweet breezes
blow

With the lullaby song of the brook's gentle flow.

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, for these blessings so
sweet,
For the warbling birds and this leafy retreat,
For life's innocent joys like these of today
That gladden my heart as I walk by the way.

Bless the Lord for the sunlight, for the birds, for
the trees,
For the murmuring brooklet and the soft gentle
breeze;
Bless the Lord for the thankfulness I feel in my soul,
For the blessings He sends me as I seek for life's
goal.

For the Lord is my shepherd, no want shall I know,
So gently He leads where the still waters flow;
Where the still waters glide through green pastures
of rest,
He restoreth my soul and thus am I blest.

He leadeth my feet where the still waters glide,
He restoreth my soul, no ill can betide;
The pathway of righteousness my feet still shall take,
For He leadeth therein for His precious name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death,
His name still I'll praise with my last feeble breath;
No evil I'll fear, but rest peaceful in God,
Who'll comfort me still with His staff and His rod.

A table before me with a feast He will spread,
Pour the oil of salvation and joy on my head;
From His goodness and mercy there's nothing can
sever.
And I'll dwell in the house of my Father forever.

Route 6, box 98a, Wichita, Kans. Ida H. Stewart.

AT THE CLOSE.

From out the purple twilight shaded east
Enveloped in the misty folds of night,
Arose the hunter's moon serenely bright,
Illuminating high the heavens;
While far below, in the west, a glorious after-glow
Retouched with crimson flame the evening sky.

At the close of day, his mission ended,
What splendid memory has the sunken sun
To leave the earth when day is done!
Would any action light our darkened sky
With after-glow of loving memory
If you or I should die?

Sarah Palmer Byrnes.

Napa Co., Calif., May 10, 1913.

THE CAT-BIRD.

Out of the blossoming Lilac bush
I hear a querulous cry;
From its deepest fastness of leafy gloom
Peers an inquisitive eye.
Greeting, Cat-bird! A welcome guest
You come to our home each year,
And it gladdens my heart, this sunny morn,
To know that the Cat-bird's here.

People there are, my Cat-bird dear,
Who know not that you can sing;
In vain for them, from the Lilac bush,
Your trills and cadences ring.
They know your language when things go wrong,
But the sweet, disjointed lay
That charms my ear, is to them unknown;
"Why, the Cat-bird mews," they say.

Under this blue "inverted bowl,"
Perfection is not for man.
The discord, the failure, the flaw must be
Part of the Infinite Plan.
Perhaps it is just that we may learn
To know and to choose the good;
As we judge our bird by his medley sweet,
And not by his scolding mood.

Ida M. B. Kerns.

Ingham Co., Mich., May 7, 1913.
Dear Editor:—The Catbird came yesterday, and he
sung to me so charmingly that I was moved to express myself in rhyme. I am sending you the verses, if you care
for them.—K.

THE WILD ROSE.

When Nature with her gorgeous dyes
Painted the sweet Wild Rose,
She mixed the rosy tint of morn
With the white of drifted snow.

Then made for it a frame of green,
All draped with lovely leaves;
(A lovely flower too seldom seen,
'Tis this one thought that grieves).

On its waxy stem so green and fair
She placed an ugly thorn,
And softly said, "I put you there
To keep my child from harm."

The thorn has done its duty well,
And ever since that day,
Whoever plucks the sweet Wild Rose
Must carry the thorn away.

But 'tis better to pluck the lovely Rose
And bear the prick and sting
Than to leave it wasting where it grows
And miss the joy 'twill bring.

Amid all pleasure there is pain,
'Mid laughter there is scorn;
Yet sunshine always follows rain
And there's more Rose than thorn.
Muskingum Co., Ohio. "Reva Tuhr Siels."

THE ROSE BUSH AND THE PANSY.

"I wonder," said the Rose Bush
To the Pansy one bright day,
"Why you are always happy,
So contented and so gay?
For our trials here are many
In this garden you must know,
They have tried my patience sorely,
And I'll tell you how it's so.

"Now, the soil is poor, tenacious—
This is not what I desire;
When it rains it grows more clammy—
It is sand that I require;
Some richness is beneficial
With lime mixed through and through,
To make the earth more porous,
And correct the acidity too.

"There are myriads of tiny insects
Just as cunning as they can be;
Now they hide within my petals,
And beneath my leaves, you see;
Just some little insect powder,
Oh, it is not hard to do,
In the early morning sprinkled
When my leaves are wet with dew.

"I am often very thirsty,
My leaves are parched and dry,
While a rust mars all my beauty
Howsoever hard I try
To make my blossoms perfect
In symmetry and form,
And the winds are quite as cruel,
And destructive to my charms.

"Now, my neighbor is more fortunate—
See those roses? how superb!
There the soil is rich and sandy,
And no insects to disturb.
It really is discouraging
To be so very poor;
Oh, could I live in such a garden,
I would ask for nothing more.

"My misfortunes are so many
I cannot count them all,
And disasters just as frequent
To my sisters here befall;
Yet I try oft' to be patient,
But with winter coming too,
You will admit yourself, I think,
That it is very hard to do.

"Then tell me, little Pansy,
Patient, tried, yet ever true,
Why disasters and afflictions
No discomfort brings to you.
Why your face is always shining,
So thoughtful and composed?
Perhaps you hold some secret true
You have never yet disclosed."

Now, the Pansy to the Rose Bush
Thus candidly replied—
"Since you asked me I must tell you,
Tho' I fear I'll wound your pride;
For I know you are ambitious—
Would attain the greatest height,
'Tis the nature of your species,
And I see where you are right.

"But because we cannot rival
With our neighbors o'er the way,
It behooves us not to grumble;
How much better to be gay!
But to use what Nature gives us
And a little patience lend,
The work we can accomplish
Will surprise us in the end.

"It is contentment that is lacking
In this garden, my dear friend,
This, the secret of my happiness,
This, to you I recommend.
Winter holds for me no terrors,
On kind Nature I rely;
She will fold me to her bosom
When fair Autumn's said good-bye."

Manassas, Va.

Lorna Louise Nicol.

THE WHIP-POOR-WILL.

Oh, listen to the whip-poor-will,
In the evening clear and still,
When the crescent rim has risen
He begins his tireless lay,
For he knows no gilded prison
And he scorns the heated day.

But when night comes sweet and cool
By some lone sequestered pool,
Near to where his mate is resting
In the willows, there his note,
Full of tenderness and nesting,
Pours he forth with swelling throat.

I have often longed to gaze
On my singer, but his ways
Still defeat my ardent searching,
And his instinct I allow
Quite eludes me, for his perching
Makes him kindred to the bough.

Still I love thy opulent
Sweet note, a love song and lament,
Though I never may behold thee
Feathered minstrel of the night,
Thou has lured and oft consoled me;
Ever filled me with delight.

Sanford, Fla.

Wm. Prindle Alexander.

SUMMER DAYS.

Bright summer days, of song birds' lays,
Of perfumed flowers and grassy ways;
We welcome thee, with hearts so free,
Glad time of bliss and melody.
How sweet to tread the flowery mead,
With skies of blue up overhead;
Or stroll through glades of woodland shade,
By skillful hand of Nature made.
Wild Roses fair we gather there,
And twine among our locks of hair;
While clover neat blooms at our feet,
To make our pathway fair and sweet.
At close of day, in twilight gray,
The whip-poor-will calls out his lay;
While fireflies gleam with sparkling beam,
O'er meadow land and silvery stream.
We like the snow that winters blow,
The charms of spring, and autumn's glow;
But what's more dear in all the year
Than summer days of song and cheer?

Palestine, Ill., June 20, 1912. Laura Shaw.

JUNE.

Cherries ripe, Cherries red,
Burdened boughs overhead;
Glances bright, visions trite,
Golden dreams of delight.

Heaven's blue, lovers true,
June's the season to woo;
Little miss, tell me this,
What's the fault of a kiss?

Blossoms sweet, berries red,
Ere the June tide is fled;
For an hour let life's dower
Be a pledge and a flower.

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Mrs. L. Berr.

SUMMER.

Spring is going, winds stop blowing
As the summer breezes come.
In the pastures cows are lowing,
And the nestlings find a home.
Grass and grain in fields are ripening
In the wood the flowers bloom;
Soon the squirrels will come piping
After nuts and take them home.

Franklin Co., Mass

Anna S. Rogers.

POST CARDS EXCHANGED.

Under this head I have inserted the names and addresses of persons who propose card exchanges, but many have complained that these do not respond. A letter before me has a complaint of Mrs. Stephens, of Rhode Island, stating that she answered eight, sending 24 cards, and that only one responded. If others have met with the same treatment the postal exchange column will be excluded. It is manifestly unfair and dishonest to propose an exchange and not respond to those who answer it.—Editor.

Marguerite Sentz, R. 5, Madison, Ind.
Opal Hamlin, Sapulpa, Okla.
Walter Thies, R. 14, Fredonia, N. Y.
Estelle E. Grubb, R. 2, Derry Church, Dauphin Co., Pa.
Esther Stokes, R. 1, Blossburg, Pa.
Myrtle Stormstedt, 33 Elm St., Butler, Pa.
Hannah Swenson, R. 2, B. 62, Mt. Vernon, S. D.
Erma Harrison, Box 48, Mt. Airy, Md.
Rosalie Harrison,
Gladys Brant, Ralston, Okla.
Ralph Lamar Harpa, R. 1, Ash Grove, Mo.
John Hejtmancik, R. 4, Box 18, Clarkson, Nebr.
Claribel Hendrickson, Satre, Iowa.
Mary Dougherty, Box 27, Williamsville, Mo.
Mamie A. Stock, Stark, Ark.
Hilda Cummings, Box 187, Holgate, Ohio.
Earl Hilton, Pine, Mo.
Bessie Plumlee, R. 1, Rocky Comfort, Mo.
Sadie Landreth, R. 1, Mason, Ill.
Thomas Bradley, Summertown, Ga.
Garnett Alexander, Load, Ky.
Ronnie Stodhill, R. 5, B. 49, Madisonville, Ky.
Laura Cummings, Box 102, Clayton, Wash.
Elizabeth Lindsay, Long Run, Pa.
Ernest Henry, Idalia, Mo.
Herbert Noyes, 18 Ivalo St., Somerville, Mass.
Elsie Burdan, Pottstown, Pa.
Edith Seidel, Califor, N. J.
Lila S. Finnefrock, R. 4, B. 28, Quarryville, Pa.
Trixie V. Warden, Ida, N. O.
Zula Cronk, Portland, Mo.
Ada Cronk,
Geneva Laurent, Box 18, Almont, Mich.
Floyd Heiter, Otia, Mich.
Fern Nelson, R. 1, Glen Rock, Texas.
R. Smith, Shady Springs, W. Va.
Alice A. Flower, China Flat, Calif.
M. I. Bateman, 221 Caroline St., Herkimer, N. Y.
Pearl Manning, Valley Head, Ala.
Gladys Harney, Guion, Ind.
Katie Hawkins, Box 24, Willow, W. Va.
Cora Wilson, Bolton Landing, N. Y.
Louise Grote, Crete, Ill.
Erpha Walls, Holliday, Ark.
Hazel Lipp, Gaiton, Ill.
Carl Lovin, 222 S. 14th St., Bismarck, N. D.
Neva O. Ferrati, Columbian, Ohio.
Ethel Maiden, Swift Run, Va.
William S. Dunn, Plymouth, N. H.
Jane Mathews Clyde, Michigan.
Mildred F. Clem, Miami, Ind.
Birdie Wilson, R. 2, B. 5, Granite, Okla.
Ralph Sheppard, Danbury, N. C.
Zelma Fuller, R. 3, Holly, Mich.
Fred J. Kaiman, Walkerville, Mich., May 9, 1913.
Anna L. Bottorf, Lonoce, Ark., R. 4, May 13, 1913.
Ruth Rogers, Bronson, Kan., May 10, 1913.
Iva LeCompte, Salem, Md.
Miss Bess Wineland, Ligonier, Pa., R. 1, B. 17.
Minnie Osborn, Melvin, Ky., May 1, 1913.
Miss Wilma S. Corthier, Marysville, Ind., R. 1, B. 72.
Lillian Heaslip, 219 W. 53d St., New York.
Pearl Meade, Phoebeus, Mo.
Gladys Brant, Box 21, Ralston, Okla.
Letha Angel, Alfalfa, Okla.
May Harrison, Dale, Ind.
Fern B. Dunbar, age 14, Alma, Neb.
Augusta Berg, age 13, Rossville, L. I., N. Y.
Claudia Buckmaster, age 12, Geneva, Ind.
Mabel Thenberg, age 14, Valencia, Pa., R. 4, B. 26.
Elsie Coburn, age 14, Homer, O.
Myrtle A. Killian, age 10, Christiana, Pa., R. 1, B. 26.
Pearl V. Hebron, age 19, Virgii, S. D., R. 1.
Zelma L. Deitrich, age 10, Marathon, N. Y., R. 1.
Virgie Matsinger, age 12, Salem, Mo., R. 1, B. 48.
Helen Cooley, age 13, Lancaster, Wis., R. 3, B. 38.
Vivian Isenhart, age 11, Thomson, Ill.
Herbert Ottenaged, age 16, Berlin, Neb., R. 1, B. 115.
Eldred Buer, age 12, Mt. Vernon, Ill., R. 6.
Alice M. Cassavaugh, age 14, Trudeau, N. Y.
Lily Borgschatz, age 7, Zumzota, Minn., R. 2, B. 70.
Frances M. Dayton, Geneva, O., R. 1, B. 34.
Mollie Harris, Ozark, Ark., R. 4, B. 3.
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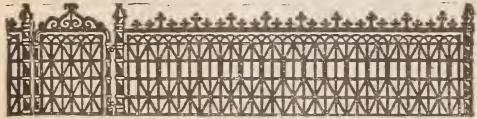
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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 12 years old and go to a country school. We do not have many flowers in our dooryard, because our pigs are out of the pen and they root the flowers up. We are all fond of flowers. We have one dog, seven cats, one goat, thirteen pigs, also a yoke of oxen. One of the oxen is red and white, and the other black and white. We have six horses and one colt. I like to go to school and I like vacation. Our teacher told us to get five wild flowers and he would give us a picture. I found the flowers and got the picture. It had three Bobolinks, some trees, and a house on it. Grace Powell.

Union, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl 13 years old, and love flowers and birds. I have lots of pretty Roses. My mother takes your Magazine, and likes it. I like to read the Children's Department. We have had some pretty weather down here in North Carolina this winter. It is a fine country. Here are some questions:

1st. What is the difference between a schoolmaster and an engine driver?

2d. Why is a game of cards like a timber yard?

3rd. In what color should a secret be kept?

4th. When is a man like a looking-glass?

Danbury, N. C., Feb. 17, 1913. Pearl Shepherd.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little country girl 14 years old and go to school. Mamma takes your Magazine and I like it. I love flowers and birds. My favorite flowers are Hyacinths.

Nathalie, Va., R. 2. Maggie L. Murphy.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 11 years old. I love to read your Magazine. I have two pets, a little black pig and my little sister. When our flowers bloomed last summer, my little sister would go to them and put her hands behind her, bend over and smell them. She looked like a little Humming Bird. I love flowers and birds dearly. I and my brother had a little flower garden for our own last summer, and we had very pleasant times.

Fern Herrington.

Mullin, Texas, Feb. 3, 1913.

Note.—We have letters from Lena E., Ruth, Lily and Nellie Lattimer, of Waverly, N. Y. Their letters are dated February and March and all are interesting, but space will not permit their insertion in the Magazine at this time. Any person wishing to write to these children will address R. 2, Waverly, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl 10 years old and go a mile and a half to school. For pets I have a cat named Blackacy. Last year I had a banty hen which died. I also have four dolls. Mamma has an incubator. She hatched about a hundred chickens. Some of them died. I have one little chicken which is a Leghorn. Marie Coleman.

Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, May 6, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 8 years old, in the third reader. I go a mile to school. It snowed here on Washington's Birthday, and the ground was covered with two inches of ice. I love flowers and your Magazine. I will exchange letters and cards.

Laura B. Bradley.

Compton, Ill., R. 1.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl 9 years old. Mamma has taken your Magazine for 15 years and thinks it is fine. I like the Children's Corner best. I love flowers. I have a canary bird and a pet sheep, also a pet hen. The hen lays an egg every day.

Lila B. Mourey.

Tioga, Pa., R. 4.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am 15 years old and live five miles from Salt Lake City. Papa has taken your Magazine for ten years and we like it very much. Our Pansies and Nasturtiums have grown well and are full of bloom. Mamma wishes to thank you for the lovely picture of Chrysanthemums which you sent her.

Hazel Proband.

Salt Lake City, Utah, May 14, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little Indian girl 11 years old. I go to school and am in the fifth grade. I walk one mile to school. Mamma has taken your Magazine for a long time and I like it very much. I have a pet puppy named Michie. Mamma has a Pansy Geranium. It is taller than I am. It has 16 bunches of flowers on it now and some buds coming. It is in bloom most of the time in winter.

Kathryn Crouse.

Steamburg, N. Y., March 22, 1913.

EDITORIAL NOTICES.

Technical Education.—The President of the Chattanooga Institute of Technology, H. E. Bierly, Chattanooga, Tenn., writes that this Institute offers exceptional advantages to poor boys to get a technical education, earning all the expenses at the same time they attend school. This information may be of interest to those who crave such an education, and yet do not have the pecuniary ability to secure it. Complete detailed information will be sent to any one who applies, and those who are interested should not hesitate to secure it. Address H. E. Bierly, President, Chattanooga, Tenn.

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"White Pilgrim."—Laura Butler, of Missouri, would like to have the song of the "White Pilgrim," also the words of the "Romish Lady." As there are others who may like to have the song, it will be published if a good, legible copy can be obtained.

Poem Wanted.—Delila Burch, of Missouri, calls for the poem entitled "The Old Patchwork Quilt." Some of the readers may be able to supply it.

Illustrated South America.—The Editor has received a very instructive and entertaining book entitled "Illustrated South America," written by W. D. Boyce (and published by the Rand-McNally Co., of Chicago), who visited that country some months ago. The work is freely illustrated with handsome engravings, made from photographs, and is well printed upon fine paper. Mr. Boyce is a vigorous and pleasant writer, and his practical, original ideas about things give his writings more than ordinary interest to thoughtful readers. Those who enjoy books of travel should not fail to secure a copy of this delightful work.

EXCHANGES.

Hollyhock or Morning Glory seeds for Cactus seeds of various kinds. Hazel Hardman, Atlantic, Mich.

Iris and Peony roots and Corn Lillies for Christmas Cactus and Carnation. Mrs. A. Bear, Tuscaralia, Mo.

Fancy work and hand painting for rooted shrubs, Roses and per. roots. Mrs. Pearl Westfall, Arch, N.M.

Seeds of Rose Acacia and s'ds of Mam. P'pk'n, etc., for bulbs or seeds. Mrs. H. McMahon, Middlefield, O.

Strawberry Geraniums, Fuchsias, etc., for Cactus, Petunias, Palms, etc. Mrs. S. Poff, Copper Hill, Va., R.2.

E. E. Cramer, Morgan, Minn., wishes Johnny-jumps-ups, Lady Slippers and wild flower roots for others.

Fresh seeds of Abrus Precatorius for other seeds and plants. Mrs. L. Dunke, Gardena, Calif., R. 2.

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Dahlias and Purple Lilies for Iris and Perennial Phlox. Mrs. J. W. Carlisle, Durand, Wis.

Crown of Thorns, Balloon Cactus, etc., for pot plants of any kind. Mrs. A. E. Pittman, R. 2, Stewart, Miss.

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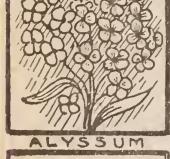
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Ceratium grandiflora, silver foliage; bears masses of white flowers.

Chelone barbata, rich, scarlet flowers in clusters, everblooming.

Chrysanthemum, Veitch's fall-blooming, mxd. **Centaurea**, mxd.

Coreopsis Eldorado, superb, rich, golden flowers, everblooming.

Crucianella stylosa, a fine, creeping perennial, always in bloom.

Delphinium, perennial Larkspur, finest of hardy perennials, mxd.

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Digitalis, Foxglove, elegant spikes of drooping bells, mixed colors.

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Erigeron, new hybrids, elegant perennials; hardy, mixed.

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Geum atrosanguineum fl.pl., an elegant, hardy perennial; scarlet.

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Ipomopsis, standing Cypress, mixed.

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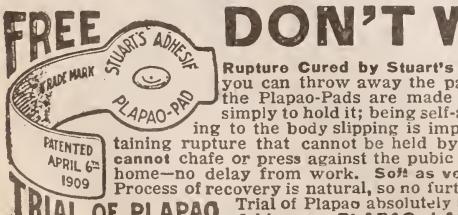
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QUESTIONS.

For an East Window.—Will someone please give me an article on flowers suitable for culture in an east window, where there is but little direct sunlight?—Mrs. E. R. Bonnell, Marion Co., Ill., April 16, 1913.

Night-blooming Cereus.—Will someone write about the care of Night-blooming Cereus? Mine has grown up over the bay-window, but has so many aerial roots that I do not dare cut. Will it do any harm to cut them off?—Mrs. E. F. U. Wilsey, Kansas.

Every Day Flower.—What is the true name of the plant known as Every Day Flower? The blossoms are pink, about the size of a five-cent piece, and freely produced.—Mrs. Philip Klein, Erie Co., N. Y., May 16, 1913.

Job's Tears.—These are naturally of a grayish color, but for a necklace I would prefer them to be white. Is there any method by which they can be bleached, so as to make them a pearly white color?—Mrs. F. S., Ohio, April 26, 1913.

Wistaria.—How should Wistaria Vine be treated to cause it to bloom? I have one ten years old that is thrifty and healthy, but it does not bloom.—Miss A. J. Smith, (Vassar) Tuscola Co., Mich.

Grafting Tomatoes.—Will Mr. Riggs, who wrote about grafting Tomatoes upon Potato Vines, in the November Magazine, tell us how he did it?—R. C., Rush Co., Ind.

Amaryllis.—I wish more of the floral sisters would write about Amaryllis, their culture and habits. I have not been successful in getting them to bloom. I know it is because I do not understand their culture as well as I should. They are so lovely it is worth our while to learn their needs.—C. S., Wayne Co., Ind., April 28, 1913.

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Succeed in life
U must make up your mind
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Work an' study very hard,
Though obstacles U'll find.
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In U're line may B
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"CAN A MAN USE TOBACCO AND RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS?"

This is the printed heading of the following letter:

Mr. Park:—I want to commend you on your courage to come out against the habit of smoking. I wish we had thousands like you. I am fighting the cigarette and tobacco evil. I have held two anti-cigarette entertainments with small children and am drilling larger ones for a February program against the evils of tobacco. Twelve hundred boys commence the cigarette habit every day. We see the poverty, the crime, the insanity and disease resultant from this vile and filthy habit. "The fight against the cigarette is the fight for civilization."—Gaunsaulus.

Grace V. Evans.

Essex Co., Mass., Feb. 1, 1912.

[Note.—It is to be regretted that many of the so-called high-class magazines that decry the use of patent medicines because of the claimed poisonous properties in them, are recommending the use of tobacco by full-page and double-page advertisements often printed in colors. These disgusting advertisements of a poison ten times worse than all the patent medicines, are taken as respectable. It shows how warped human judgment can become under popular influences. There is no doubt but that the best way to inoculate the system with tobacco, and the one that gives the least offense to others is by chewing. This does not convey the disease germs of the unhealthy tobacco user to others as does smoking, and it does not pollute the air with the filthy and disgusting smell of tobacco, as does the habit of smoking. Recently these "high-class" journals by their advertisements are encouraging the use of the pipe, which is even worse than that of cigars or cigarettes, for the user carries his pipe in his pocket, with its disgusting stench, which pollutes his clothing and thus befools the atmosphere even when not in use. We see a great deal about the evils of cigarette smoking and the statements concerning that habit are undoubtedly true. But it is doubtful whether cigarette smoking is any worse upon the physical system and morals of the user than smoking tobacco in other forms. The evil of the cigarette habit is decried by older persons who smoke cigars and the pipe. But it is a fact that cigarette smoking is increasing, and whenever the majority become cigarette smokers we will not hear so much about the evil, for the users will not want to bring their habit into prominence. The fact is that the tobacco habit in its different forms is injurious to the health and morals of the user, disgusting and detestable to those of refined taste and morals, and cannot be indulged in without trampling upon the rights and liberties of others. However, we will have to be content with the angelic statement (Rev., XXII, 11): "He that is filthy let him be filthy still," for it seems almost impossible to break up the filthy tobacco habit when once it is fastened upon the human system.—Ed.]

MAGAZINE APPRECIATED.

Dear Mr. Park:—I wish to tell you how I enjoy your little Magazine, which I have been taking for several years. I would not be without it for anything. When I begin to read it I can hardly stop until I have read everything in it. I am an enthusiastic lover of flowers, and my whole place is full of them, but I can always find room for more. I enjoy the little poems in the Magazine—they are so pretty. I have read several of them on Mother's Day, and I often cut them out and send in letters to friends. Mrs. W. B. Downer.

Center, Texas, April 5, 1912.

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CATS A GENERAL NUISANCE.

Cats in some cities have already become such a general nuisance as to bear a tax, which I think is a very good thing. A newspaper article I read just lately stated that one borough alone in New York City contained several thousand cats. Think of the disease distributed by these felines and the lives sacrificed from a cause which might easily be remedied. Children should never be allowed to play with these wandering minstrels, which have free access to all kinds of dirt and garbage cans. Are cats at large of any general use? I emphatically say No. These cats which infest cities are of no use whatever; neither are those which are so carefully fondled by people of high society and refinement, except to rob some little waif of a good home. If every home which has cats or poodle dogs would open their doors to at least one homeless child we would not need so many orphan homes.

Claude Crisp.

Plainview, Neb., Dec. 23, 1912.

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farmer's daughter, 14 years old. I go two miles to both school and church. I am very much interested in your Floral Magazine, which my mama takes. I like all kinds of flowers and birds. I have a pet Shepherd dog. Postals exchanged.

Evelyn Putnam.

Vincennes, Vt., R. 1, April 12, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a school girl 12 years old and live on a farm. We have four horses, five head of cattle, four pigs, forty-four sheep and two hundred hens. My sister takes your Magazine and is very much delighted with it, for she is a lover of flowers.

Edith Forcier.

Ticonderoga, N. Y., April 12, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farmer's daughter 12 years old. I have a banty hen and she has laid eighteen eggs this year. Now she is setting. I love birds and flowers. I have a good mama and papa. My papa does not chew, smoke or drink. Postals exchanged.

Cora E. Smalley.

Bridgeton, N. J., R. 1, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a school girl of 15 years and live on a farm. I have a pet dog, rabbit and cat. I have a flower garden every year. We get your Magazine and like it very much. The only fault is it does not come often enough.

Catherine Bohlayer.

Freeland, Md., April 14, 1913.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I am a boy seven years old. I have two ponies, Billy and Sparkle, one burro named Millie; also a fine Scotch Collie named Colonel, two pet lambs and two Canaries. I go to church and Sunday school every Sunday. Elgin, Ia. O. W. Rothlisberger.

Dear Mr. Park:—My flower seeds have come up and the plants are growing well. I hope to have a fine garden. I am going to get up a club for the Magazine. My Grandmother takes your Magazine and enjoys reading it very much. Morleyville, Ky. Lillian Pike.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a country girl 11 years old. My father owns 320 acres. I have two pet dogs, one old cat, and three little kittens. I love the Magazine and flowers. Mamma has lots of flowers. Ada Warner.

Bancroft, Oregon, April 25, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farmer's daughter 8 years old, am fond of flowers and admire your Magazine. I have two pets, a goldfish and a pony. I have a piano and am going to take music lessons this summer. My brother is three and one-half years old and we have some delightful times together. Della Roane.

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Spalding, Nebraska, May 13, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little country girl 10 years old. I love to go to school. My mama has taken your Magazine for a very, very long time. We have a piano and my sister takes lessons. I love flowers and we have a good many. I have a Climbing Rose and it is growing real fast. I also love birds. Wrens, Mockingbirds and Bluebirds stay around our barn and house. A Wren built its nest in our porch last summer. I do not believe in men and boys using tobacco in any way, or drinking whiskey, nor do I believe in women and girls using snuff. Do you? My father never uses tobacco or whiskey and my mother does not use snuff. Postals exchanged.

Allen Edmondson.

Fountain City, Tenn., R. 1, 1913.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a brown-eyed country girl 15 years old and live on a 320-acre farm five miles from town. Our farm is called Maple Farm, because there are so many Maples. We have nineteen horses, three colts, five cows, seventy-five sheep and some full-blooded hogs. I have eight white rabbits, five fish, nine Canary birds and lots of flowers. I also have a dear little pony named Snowball and expect to ride it to High School next year. I have a piano and take lessons. I can play the violin and accordion by ear. Our barn and grainary burnt down last fall, burning one horse, four thousand bushels of oats, five sets of harness, machinery, hay and many other things. We do not know how it was started. We have a fine new barn in its place. I love flowers, birds, animals and music, but love home best of all. Postals exchanged.

Cathryn M. Blackburn.

Bradford, Ill., R. 4, March 21, 1913.

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